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Project Model: Residency Model

Competitive Preference Priorities: (1) Promoting STEM Education

Invitational Priority – *Opportunity Zones*: (Y/N)

Requested Total Award Amount:

Project Description:

The partnership will address the need 1) to improve the quality of prospective and new teachers by improving preparation of prospective teachers and enhancing professional development activities for new teachers; and 2) to recruit highly qualified individuals, including minorities and individuals from other occupations into the teaching force.

Project Expected Outcomes:

The expected outcomes are: establishing, increasing collaboration, and sustaining a partnership of professional educators from grant partners to develop and implement a teacher residency program impacting high-need local education agencies (LEA's); identifying and recruiting 100 (20/year) prospective teachers to participate in the teacher residency program to impact student achievement in high-need LEA's and schools; and retaining and supporting new teachers during a two-year induction program.

Project Special Features:

The unique residency model proposed through the BTQP integrates several of the key characteristics of a strong residency program per the Learning Policy Institute.7 Teacher residents will: 1) collaborate with a team (CES instructors/coaches, LEA department heads/staff, school grade level teams and mentors) to integrate pedagogy with the practical demands of classroom instruction and management during a routine school day; 2) receive professional development focused on the needs of new teachers; and 3) mentoring/coaching. Residents will serve as a "highly-qualified" teacher in the classroom under the guidance of a mentor teacher.

Project Partners: San Juan College's Alternative Licensure program, Eastern New Mexico University's school of Education, and New Mexico State University's school of education, (The Four Corners Regional Education Cooperative #1 (FCREC#1) composed of four rural school districts (Aztec Municipal Schools, Bloomfield Schools, Central Consolidated School District, Farmington Municipal Schools), San Juan College, Eastern New Mexico University, New Mexico State University, and the Cooperative Educational Services (CES).